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RUSSIANS CLAIM TO BE VICTORIOUS IN BATTLE NOW RAGING WEST OF WARSAW

RUSSIANS HAVE BEEN STRONGLY REINFORCED, AND HAVE RECAPTURED THE ESTIMATED TWO MILLION MEN THAT WERE FORMERLY CAPTURED BY THE GERMANS. RUSSIAN DRIVE AGAINST THORN HAS BEEN CHECKED.

INVASION OF HUNGARY

AGAIN IN FULL SWING WITH A LARGE BODY OF RUSSIAN COSSACKS MARCHING UPON BUDAPEST. RUSSIAN ADVANCE IN NORTHERN POLAND SUCCESSFUL.

Petrograd, Feb. 3.—Fierce fighting continues west of Warsaw, and the tide of victory is now flowing toward the Russians, who have been strongly reinforced. It is said the reinforcements number a million men. The trenches captured by the Germans in the earlier fighting have been recaptured. Another invasion of Hungary is in full swing, with a large force of cavalry approaching Budapest. The advancing Cossacks have practically separated the Austro-Germans in Bukovina from those in Galicia. The Russians have scored successes in the region of Miawa. In northern Poland the Russian drive against Thorn has not been checked. New masses of Germans are being rushed to the lower Vistula.

Berlin, Feb. 3.—It is officially announced that four thousand Russians have been captured west of Warsaw since Monday. Fighting continues. Russian cavalry in northern Poland and French assaults upon German positions near Perthes have been repulsed. Night attacks by Russians along the Bzura river have been repulsed.

POSTMASTER OF KANSAS TOWN AN ALIEN.

Columbus, Kansas, Feb. 1.—Joseph Dock, a subject of France, has been holding the office of postmaster at Columbus, Kansas, for six years, fully believing that he was a citizen of the United States. As soon as he found out that he was not a naturalized citizen, he made application for full citizenship. His plea was made to H. W. Wilson, naturalization commissioner of St. Louis, while Mr. Wilson was in Columbus hearing the cases of twenty-eight other foreigners who desired citizenship. "I had always believed that, as my father was naturalized when I was a boy, so I was not an alien," said Dock. "But I have just learned that he was naturalized shortly after I was of age. It makes a lot of difference. I don't know whether I will lose my job or not."

NOT BELIEVED VILLA IS DEAD.

No Credence Is Given the Report From Mexico City.

Washington, Feb. 3.—There is no credibility attached to the report received here from Mexico City that General Pancho Villa had died from wounds inflicted on his person at Aguas Calientes last Saturday by Col. Emilio Fierro.

Resumption of train service between Mexico City and Vera Cruz was reported in dispatches to the state department. Administration officials are considering names of several men for service in Mexico, but none have yet been selected. Among them is Duval West, formerly assistant federal attorney at San Antonio, who, Secretary Bryan said, was coming to Washington for a conference. The mission to Mexico City of any man agreed upon would be to negotiate with the Brazilian minister, who is looking after American interests. He would not be accredited to any faction.

EARTH SHAKES IN THE ENGLISH COAL DISTRICT.

London, Feb. 3.—Earth shocks occurred last night in a number of districts in Yorkshire. One miner was killed and many had narrow escapes, owing to the shaking down of coals in the pits. In some cases the pits were rendered unworkable by the fall of

CHICAGO CLAIMS VERY DOUBTFUL HONOR.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—With the additional women on the registration books, Chicago today took first rank as a large city. It now has 690,720 registered voters; 466,688 men and 223,032 women.

VILLA WIRES OF HIS CAPTURE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI

QUIET NOW PREVAILS IN MEXICO CITY. CARRANZA IS AT VERA CRUZ. VILLA TRYING TO GRAB TAMPICO TO USE AS A SEA BASE.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The state department reports say comparative quiet prevails at Mexico City. Several of Carranza's cabinet had arrived from Vera Cruz, it was reported, and were considering removal of their departments from Vera Cruz.

Street car service in the capital had been interrupted by Zapata forces, which had taken and still hold many of the cars.

General Obregon, Carranza leader, who had been in military command of Mexico City, the report said, had gone to Vera Cruz to confer with Carranza, and during his absence General Benjamin Hill, recently in command of the Carranza forces at Naco, Sonora, was ruling the city.

All persons except foreigners and city coachmen owning more than one horse, have been ordered by the military authorities of the capital to sell one-half of them to the government, on pain of confiscation.

General Villa telegraphed the convention agency here that General Urbina captured San Luis Potosi yesterday. Urbina's column is supposed to be the vanguard of the Villa forces marching on Tampico. Urbina's force numbered about 5,000 men.

Capture of Potosi Confirmed.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 3.—Confirmation of Washington reports of the capture of San Luis Potosi was received yesterday in Juarez. The city is an important railroad junction. Its capture is the first step in Villa's movement from Aguas Calientes to Tampico, capture of which would afford him a seaport.

The defeated commander of the Carranza garrison was General Eugenio Benavides, who deserted Villa at the time of the flight from Mexico City of Gutierrez. The guerrilla force was led by General Banjose. General Villa himself characterized the battle in the following statement:

"After a brief resistance the enemy made in places around San Luis Potosi, that capital fell today. Many prisoners and munitions of war were captured. We have sufficient forces to take other important centers by joining forces with others of our command in the vicinity."

Gen. John J. Pershing was notified yesterday that the armory of the New Mexico National Guard at Silver City, N. M., had been broken into and thirty rifles and 5,000 rounds of ammunition stolen. The message states that Mexicans were known to have robbed the place, and it was believed the munitions were being taken to Mexico.

Close Newspaper Offices.

Washington, Feb. 3.—All newspaper offices in Mexico City have been closed by government order, the state department was advised yesterday. Zapata forces continue to occupy outlying southern suburbs, and are reported to have committed some depredations.

Plotted Against Uncle Sam.

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 3.—Basilio Ramos, a Mexican, is under arrest at Brownsville, Texas, on a charge of plotting against the United States, according to word received here yesterday.

It is alleged that Ramos was seeking to incite Mexicans (Japanese and other aliens) in a movement against the government. He is held without bail.

Concentrate Troops at Eagle Pass.

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 3.—One regiment of infantry, five troops of cavalry and a battery of field artillery of the United States border patrol, last night were ordered to concentrate at Eagle Pass, Texas, in anticipation of a battle between Villa and Carranza troops for possession of Piedras Negras, opposite Eagle Pass. Additional troops are being held in readiness at the fort here to proceed quickly to the border in event of a larger force being needed to prevent firing across the border.

FLORIDA SCHOOL TEACHER SHOOT AND KILLS MAN.

Valdosta, Ga., Feb. 3.—William Yates, aged 20, a school teacher in Hamilton county, Florida, shot and killed Claude Holtendorff Tuesday afternoon. Holtendorff was shot in the mouth. Yates had administered a whipping to the son of the man at school.

GREAT STORM SWEEP EASTWARD TO THE ATLANTIC COAST DOING DAMAGE

Western Trains Are Yet Struggling In High Snow Drifts While the Winds Blowing at Ninety Miles Per Hour Do Much Damage To Points Along Jersey Coast.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Passing eastward the general storm left the west and central states, crippled wire and rail, with resultant damages which reach several millions. Western trains are still struggling in huge snowdrifts. Several vessels are lee bound in the great lakes. Floods in the Ohio valley are doing considerable damage. Hundreds of families have been driven from their homes.

Falling temperatures through the middle west last night added to the troubles of telephone and telegraph companies, whose service has been hindered for two days by sleet and snow. All companies reported their wires were breaking with every degree drop in the temperature.

Wire communication was maintained to all parts of the west, although in many instances the telegraph companies had to resort to indirect routing. Chicago communicated with St. Paul and Minneapolis by telegraphing to New York, thence to Winnipeg and then to the twin cities.

Through western Missouri, Kansas and southern Nebraska, it was snowing heavily last night, and the mercury was falling rapidly. Lowering temperatures were reported from the southwestern states, and continued snow was reported from the northern tier of states. In Wisconsin, several feet of snow stuck on the level lands. The Goodrich line steamer Alabama, which left here yesterday for Michi-

gan cities, made its way through immense ice fields. The Charles Raines arrived here last night, making slow time.

Rains in the western states slowed up rail communication. New York, Feb. 3.—Half a million in damages and seven known deaths are the result of the storm which swept up the Atlantic coast. In the New York district four men were drowned when the dredge astern sunk off Port Jefferson. Sleet, snow and wind set the railroad schedules awry. Ninety miles an hour wind caused much minor damage on the Jersey coast.

New York City was not a severe sufferer from the storm. Seabright, N. J., however, again suffered considerably from high seas. A number of the buildings along the water front have been so undermined that they probably will go to pieces.

What the Canadian railway authorities characterize as the most severe snow storm to visit the dominion in years, has partially demoralized railway traffic on the main lines throughout the country, and has tied up operations completely on branch lines. All trains are arriving in Toronto from four to nine hours late, and some are still held up by drifts. Telegraph and telephone companies state that wire communication has not been seriously interrupted.

DEMOCRATS TO GET TOGETHER ON SHIP BILL

ADMINISTRATION SEEKING TO INDUCE SECEDING DEMOCRATIC SENATORS TO RETURN TO FOLD AND HELP PASS SHIPPING BILL.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Administration senators today sought to persuade the seven seceding senators to return to the democratic fold and drive the shipping bill through as nearly untrammelled by amendments as possible. It became known today the caucus plan is an effort to reconsider the vote by which the Stone resolution to table the motion to reconsider was lost. If this fails Senator Fletcher will offer an amendment to recommit, instructing the committee to report back the bill within forty-eight hours. The democrats agreed that neutrality will be safeguarded by an amendment forbidding the purchase of interned ships unless the belligerents consent.

NATURAL GAS FLOW STRUCK NEAR KISSIMMEE.

Kissimmee, Feb. 3.—A strain of sand, characterized by the drillers as oil bearing, and two flows of natural gas have been struck at the oil well borings of the Pennsylvania Oil Company, five miles from town.

President C. W. Ward and the other officials of the company are very hopeful of big results, and believe it is an important find.

Drilling is being carried on, although nothing further has been found, and a depth of 1,600 feet has been reached. The Pennsylvania Oil Company was formed here last winter by local men, and has extensive leases on property. Only one well, however, is being sunk by the company. Ex-Senator C. A. Carson and C. W. Ward, of this city, are prominent figures in the company.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The services of the Christian church Sunday morning will be in charge of the Christian Women's Board of Missions, this being the first time C. W. B. M. day of the Christian church has ever been observed in Arcadia. A good program appropriate for the occasion has been provided. Look for the program in Saturday's Daily News. Everybody is cordially invited to this service. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. All services are held in the opera house.

PRICE OF BREAD TO FOLLOW WHEAT.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Following the excitement over the sky rocketing of the wheat market, nearly all the small retail bakers today raised the prices of bread from 5 to 6 cents and 10 to 12 cents per loaf.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—May wheat 1.08; corn 83 1-2; oats 61 1-2; pork 19.40; lard 11.30; ribs 10.47.

EX-GOVERNOR IS NAMED IN SENSATIONAL SUIT

TRAVELED WITH MAN'S WIFE. "HUGGED AND KISSED HER AT EVERY CROSSING AND TUNNEL" SAYS THE COMPLAINT OF HUSBAND.

San Francisco, Feb. 2.—Richard D. Yates, former governor of Illinois, is named as co-respondent in a divorce complaint filed here yesterday by Edward R. Freeman, a Eureka, Cal., photographer, against Mrs. Emma Freeman. The complaint alleges that Mrs. Freeman and Yates traveled together from Eureka to San Francisco in 1913. Among the charges made by Freeman against his wife were:

"That she permitted Yates to hug her in every tunnel the train went through; at every bridge and every time the whistle blew for a crossing."

"That she celebrated her arrival here with him by a jubilee at a public cafe."

"That she allowed Richard Seely, under which name Yates is alleged to have traveled, to visit her room at a hotel in Whittier, Cal."

Yates left her, the complaint says, after the alleged jubilee, and went east.

Mrs. Freeman returned to her husband in Eureka.

Denies Charges. Springfield, Ill., Feb. 3.—Richard D. Yates, former governor, informed last night that he had been named in a divorce suit filed in San Francisco by Edward R. Freeman, against his wife, said:

"The charges are all untrue. Further than that I do not care to talk about the subject."

Yates was in California on a lecture tour at the time of the alleged indiscretions. Friends of Yates say he met a Mrs. Freeman in the west, and by chance they rode on the same train.

CAPT. S. V. NEELEY PASSED AWAY.

Dies Suddenly at Umatilla, Formerly Lived In This City.

News reached the city today of the death of Capt. S. V. Neeley, of Umatilla, Fla., which occurred in that town last night. The cause of his death is not stated in news dispatches received, the statement merely being made that he suddenly passed away.

Captain Neeley was well and favorably known in this city, where he enjoyed the friendship of many, having made his home here a greater part of the time during the past few years. He was the father of Mrs. T. D. Powell, of this city.

Mrs. Powell left for Umatilla on this morning's A. C. L. train to attend the funeral of her father, which will be held at Drifton, at which place interment will take place.

Captain Neeley was a life long citizen of Florida, was noted throughout his career for being a personage of high character. He was an ex-Confederate soldier, and was always found to be active in every movement for the good of his home and country.

LITTLE ACTIVITY IN WESTERN WAR SAVE VIOLENT ATTACKS IN ARGONNE

ITALY HAS MADE NO PROMISES TO KEEP OUT OF IT

TO KEEP OUT OF THE WAR, FORMER PREMIER GIOLOTTI INDICATES THAT NO PROMISES HAVE BEEN MADE TO ANY ONE.

Rome, Feb. 3.—Giovanni Giolitti, former premier, is endeavoring to discredit reports that he has agreed with Prince von Buelow, German ambassador, that Italy must maintain its neutrality at all costs. To accomplish that a letter written by him to a deputy has been published here.

In it Signor Giolitti says he has known Prince von Buelow many years and has high esteem for his talents and character. He always found the distinguished German a friend of Italy. When the prince lived in Rome as a private individual, the former premier says, he went to see him often. Since he has been here as ambassador they have exchanged visits, but discussed the war only academically without touching upon Italy's attitude.

Signor Giolitti says he considers war a misfortune to be faced only when necessary for honor or the great interests of the country. He does not consider it permissible to drag Italy into war because of a sentimental feeling for other countries. In the present condition of Europe he believes it might be possible for Italy to obtain enough without war.

IMMIGRATION BILL STANDS GOOD CHANCE TO DIE.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The fate of the immigration bill vetoed by President Wilson because of the literacy test provision, took on renewed interest in congress because of the announced intention of Senator Reed, of Missouri, to speak in the senate in support of the presidential veto provided the opportunity is presented. Senator Reed, who has opposed many of the administration measures, fought the immigration bill, and was one of the seven voting against it.

Chairman Burnett, of the house immigration committee, will call up the veto message by offering a motion to reconsider the vote by which it originally was passed, and to pass it despite the presidential disapproval. The house leaders, however, are not sure that the two-thirds majority vote necessary to repass the bill over the president's veto can be procured. Without a majority vote the bill would die. It is believed that the senate would pass the bill.

TURKS REPORTED GETTING ANOTHER LICKING.

Cairo, Feb. 3.—The Australians defeated the Turks near Nachl, between Suez and Elajaba. The Turks are retreating.

Constantinople, Feb. 3.—Fighting has been resumed between the Turks and British at the junction of the Euphrates and Tigris rivers, in Mesopotamia. Gun boats drove the Turks back, but the enemy lost heavily.

RUSSIANS CLAIM THEY ARE STILL ADVANCING.

Warsaw, Feb. 3.—The Russian drive against Thorn has been resumed after terrific fighting along the lower Vistula. North of that river the Germans retreated to Plochow, six miles from Thorn. The Cossacks cut an entire squadron of the German seventh Cuirassiers to pieces.

FATAL EXPLOSION IN PENNSYLVANIA TOWN.

Kane, Pa., Feb. 3.—Nine were killed and twenty-five injured, six fatally, in an explosion which completely wrecked the Tenet boarding house in Mayburg, near here. It is believed the explosion was caused by leaking gas.

SOME COLD UP IN CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 2.—This city today is the center of a severe sleet and snow storm which is sweeping Ohio and the adjacent states. Wire and railroad communication is hampered.

NEW YORK HAVING SEVERE SLEET AND SNOW STORM.

New York, Feb. 2.—A blinding sleet and snow storm today is almost paralyzing rail and wire traffic. A number of small accidents have occurred.

THE FRENCH CLAIM TO HAVE MADE GAINS IN THE VALLEY OF THE AISNE, AND ALSO CLAIM TO HAVE REPULSED THE VIOLENT GERMAN ATTACKS NEAR BAGATELLE, IN THE ARGONNE DISTRICT. GERMANS SILENT ON THE SITUATION IN THE WEST.

GERMAN ATTACKS FAIL

FROM THE SEA TO THE LYS, THE GERMAN FORCES ATTACK THE BATTERIES OF THE ALLIES, BUT FAIL IN EACH EFFORT. FRENCH MAKE SOME FEW ADVANCES.

Paris, Feb. 3.—It is officially announced the French made gains in the Aisne valley, particularly near Perthes. A violent German attack near Bagatelle, in the Argonne, was repulsed.

The following official communication was issued by the war office yesterday: "From the sea to the Lys the German army has tried without success to reduce our batteries. In the section of Arras rifle firing continued during the night of February 1-2, but the infantry did not attack."

"Near Soissons we have done some damage to the enemy's batteries, and repelled an infantry attack on our contingent at St. Paul."

"French advances have been made by us at Perthes Les Hurles, northeast of Chalons, at the outskirts of the woods, the occupation of which by our troops had previously been reported."

"In the Argonne, near Bagatelle, we repulsed a German attack. In the Vosges Uffholtz was bombarded during the night and our troops made progress toward Burthaut Le Pas."

A dispatch from Nish to the Balkan news agency says: "Confirmation has been received of the report that a great Austro-German army under Archduke Eugene of Austria, intends to attempt a third invasion of Serbia. The troops actually have been concentrated along a line from Tekia to Schifka on the Danube. Schifka is the junction point of the Hunzarian, Roumanian and Servian frontiers. The attack has been delayed by the rising of the Danube and the Save."

"The Serbian general staff is fully confident the issue will be favorable to Serbian arms, as the troops are declared to be in excellent condition."

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT CLAIMS SUCCESSES.

Vienna, Feb. 2.—The following official statement was given out last night:

"Owing to the favorable weather conditions there was much military activity in Russian Poland and West Galicia. Local successes were obtained at many points."

"New Russian attacks west of Lwow Pass, in the Carpathians were repulsed. We captured five officers, 800 men, two cannon and two machine guns in an engagement on a wooded mountain range."

"Nothing of importance has occurred in Bukovina. In the southern theatre the situation is unchanged."

REPORTED TURKISH FLOTILLA BADLY DAMAGED.

Athens, Feb. 3.—An unconfirmed report states that the Mitylene flotilla of Turkish torpedo boats made a sortie from the Dardanelles Tuesday, attacking the allies' war ships bombarding the Dardanelles. They were driven back after two Turkish gun boats were sunk and another badly damaged.

SUPREME COURT DISMISSES SHIPPING TRUST CASE.

New York, Feb. 3.—The United States court today dismissed the government's petition against the so-called shipping trust lines, which were charged with violation of the anti-trust law and conspiracy. The court held the combination practically dissolved as the result of the European war.

ENGLISH APPEAR TO BE LOSING THEIR NERVE.

London, Feb. 2.—When parliament assembled today aviators patrolled the skies above London to prevent an attack by hostile air men.

GENERAL VON KLUK'S SON REPORTED DEAD.

Copenhagen, Feb. 2.—It is reported that Lieutenant Von Kluk, eldest son of General Von Kluk, was killed by the British in the bombardment of Middelkerk.